

Forest Grove, Oct. 28<sup>th</sup> 1882.

Dear Father,

We don't realize at all the flight of time. I fully intended to write to you so that you would get it at Kellogg, but was so busy that <sup>the time</sup> it past by; and then I planned to write so that it would reach you immediately on your arrival at Union Falls. But I have failed in that, too, I presume. Your occasional cards have been received with the deepest interest, and our photo has followed you all the way.

I have been exceedingly busy at the fall: school, office, house, and various little things. The house is done, except the painting which will be readily done this week. Then we will move in. In spite of being so busy I have been increasing in weight: 154 lbs.

Affairs in town are going on as usual.

You must give my most hearty and loving remembrance to Cousin Margaret.

You know that nothing but the building has drained my purse to the dogs, has prevented sending some nice present to you and her.

Please tell her so. I will atone for it when you come back.

You have kept up with the news from Ogn. I presume, and have seen that Colph is Senator, after a bitter struggle.

I hope you will have the sweet unbounded joy and prosperity.

Write often, and tell us all about your doings.

Mattie joins me in the most affectionate greetings to you both.

Remember us to Aunt Fanny and all the rest.

W.